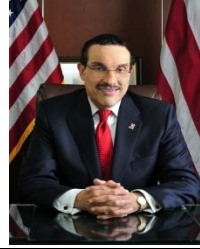


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## NEWS YOU CAN USE

**THE OFFICE OF PARTNERSHIPS AND GRANT SERVICES HAS RELOCATED TO  
300 E STREET, NW (3<sup>rd</sup> STREET SIDE OF JUDICIARY SQUARE)**

***Contracting Opportunities with the District of Columbia Government:*** If you are interested in business/contracting opportunities with the District of Columbia Government visit the Office of Contracts and Procurement website at [www.ocp.dc.gov](http://www.ocp.dc.gov) and follow these instructions: click on “Solicitation”; click on “List All Opportunities” and finally click on “Electronic Solicitations”. For additional information contact [Ajaya.Damireddy@dc.gov](mailto:Ajaya.Damireddy@dc.gov)

***Funding Alert:*** If you would like to post an announcement in the Funding Alert, contact Pat Henry at [pat.henry@dc.gov](mailto:pat.henry@dc.gov). All back issues of the funding alert can be found at [www.opgs.dc.gov](http://www.opgs.dc.gov).

***Grant Information Resource Center (GIRC).*** The Grant Information Resource Center (GIRC) provides technical assistance and information about resources that improve community services in the District of Columbia for its “customers” -District government, nonprofit, and faith-based representatives. The primary focus is to assist customers who either lack computer access or the knowledge to best use their existing computer technology to strengthen their organizations. The GIRC is open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. and 2 p.m.-4 p.m., by appointment only. To schedule an appointment call 202-727-8900.

***District Grants Clearinghouse:*** District agency grant opportunities are listed in the Funding Alert. These opportunities can be found on the Office of Partnerships and Grant Services website at [www.opgs.dc.gov](http://www.opgs.dc.gov). All information that should be posted to the Clearinghouse should be sent to [dcgrants@dc.gov](mailto:dcgrants@dc.gov).

***State Single Point of Contact (SPOC):*** The Office of Partnerships and Grant Services is the DC SPOC. The application is available online on OPGS’s website at [www.opgs.dc.gov](http://www.opgs.dc.gov) select State Single Point of Contact." If you need additional information call (202) 727-0946.

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## Government of the District of Columbia Opportunities

### Electronic Grants Clearinghouse

*The Office of Partnerships and Grant Services* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <http://opgs.dc.gov/>, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

District Agency	Funding Opportunity	Deadline
Department of Human Services	Information, Education and Outreach for Victims of Domestic Violence	October 21, 2011
Department of Human Services	Counseling and Case Management Services for Victims of Domestic Violence	October 21, 2011
	Shelter Services for Victims of Domestic Violence	October 21, 2011
Department of Health	Ryan White Parts A and B	November 21, 2011
Office of the State Superintendent of Education	Wellness and Nutrition Services Department	November 22, 2011
	I Am Healthy, I Am Happy Outreach Program	November 22, 2011
Serve DC	AmeriCorps State Planning Grant AmeriCorps State Funding	November 29, 2011 November 29, 2011
Office of Planning	Live Near Your Work Pilot Program	December 2, 2011

## Federal Opportunities

**Cultural Orientation Technical Assistance Program.** *Department of State* announces funds to promote the effective resettlement of all persons who are admitted to the United States under the U.S. Refugee Admissions Program, including assisting refugees to achieve economic self-sufficiency through employment as quickly as possible.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations  
 Deadline: 11/21/2011  
 Contact: Kiera Clarke at (202) 453-9259 or [clarkekr@state.gov](mailto:clarkekr@state.gov)  
 Website: [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov)  
 Grant ID: GD4425

**Museums for America.** *Institute of Museum and Library Services* announces funds to support museums in their efforts to engage communities through education, exhibitions, and interpretation; support projects that represent a broad range of educational activities through which museums share collections, content, and knowledge to support learning; build Institutional Capacity (Management, Policy, and Training); and support projects that serve to improve the infrastructure of museums to better serve their communities.

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Eligibility: City or township governments, state governments, nonprofit organizations and DC government agencies.

Deadline: 11/1/2011

Funds: 150 awards are available up to \$150,000 and a match is required.

Contact: Sandra Narva at (202) 653-4634 or [snarva@imls.gov](mailto:snarva@imls.gov)

Website: <http://www.imls.gov/applicants/detail.aspx?GrantId=11>

Grant ID: GD4426

## Foundation Opportunities

**Youth Garden Grants.** *National Gardening Association* announces funds for programs that emphasize educational focus or curricular/program integration, nutrition or plant-to-food connections, environmental awareness/education, entrepreneurship, and social aspects of gardening such as leadership development, team building, community support, and service-learning.

Eligibility: Independent school districts, nonprofit organizations, Local Educational Agencies and State Educational Agencies

Deadline: 11/28/2011

Funds: 99 awards are available up to \$500

Contact: National Gardening Association at (800) 538-7476

Website: <http://www.kidsgardening.org/grants/2012-youth-garden-grants-1>

Grant ID: GD4423

**Documentary Films.** *John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation* announces funds for documentary projects that address the significant social challenges of our time and/or explore important but under-reported topics.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations and for-profit organizations other than small businesses

Deadline: 12/2/2011

Funds: Awards are available up to \$200,000

Contact: John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation at (312) 726-8000 or [4answers@macfound.org](mailto:4answers@macfound.org)

Website: <http://www.macfound.org>

Grant ID: GD4422

**E3 - Effectiveness, Efficiency, and Excellence in Healthcare Program.** *Cardinal Health Foundation* announces funds to help improve medication safety, particularly for periods when patients move from hospital environments to home and other healthcare settings.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations, community-based organizations and Hospitals

Deadline: 12/2/2011

Pre-Application Meeting: A webinar will be held at 2:30 p.m. EDT on October 18 and 19. Visit website for more information.

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## Information:

Funds: 40 awards are available up to \$35,000  
Contact: Cardinal Health Foundation at [communityrelations@cardinalhealth.com](mailto:communityrelations@cardinalhealth.com)  
Website: <http://www.cardinalhealth.com/us/en/CommunityRelations/Apply/E3>  
Grant ID: GD4421

**Parent-Child Education Program Implementation.** AVANCE announces funds to expand the AVANCE Parent-Child Education Program for low- income Hispanic families

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations  
Deadline: 12/15/2011  
Funds: Awards are available up to \$50,000  
Contact: Glendelia M. Zavala at (210) 270-4630 or [gavala.nat@avance.org](mailto:gavala.nat@avance.org)  
Website: <http://www.avance.org/>  
Grant ID: GD4419

**Project Orange Thumb- Community Gardens.** Fiskars announces funds to provides tools, materials, and other support to help communities reach their goals for neighborhood beautification, community collaboration, and healthy, sustainable food.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations and community-based organizations  
Deadline: 12/5/2011  
Funds: 11 are awards available up to \$5,000  
Contact: Fiskars at their website  
Website: <http://www2.fiskars.com/Activities/Project-Orange-Thumb>  
Grant ID: GD4420

## Resources and Announcements

**Text4Baby Conference Call for Faith and Community Leaders: Promoting Healthy Moms, Healthy Babies, and Healthy Families.** On October 19, 2011 join the White House Office for Faith-based and Neighborhood Partnerships, the HHS and USDA Centers for Faith-based and Neighborhood Partnerships, and the National Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition for a conference call at 3:00PM EST with faith and community leaders to learn about Text4Baby. Text4Baby is a free texting service that provides health tips and reminders to support healthy pregnancies and babies. Text4Baby was developed through a broad public/private partnership, including government, private and nonprofit partners. Please RSVP by emailing [Partnerships@hhs.gov](mailto:Partnerships@hhs.gov) as space is limited. The call in number is 1-800-475-0239 and the access code is 4BABY.

**Grant Reviewers Needed.** Serve DC – The DC Mayor's Office on Volunteerism is seeking individuals to review grant applications for the 2012 AmeriCorps State Competitive Grant Competition. This is an excellent opportunity to network with colleagues in the national service field, learn more about the grant-making process, develop your own grant-writing skills, and contribute your knowledge and experience to Serve DC's efforts to select high-quality Washington, DC-based programs for AmeriCorps funding. For more information contact [isabel.spake@dc.gov](mailto:isabel.spake@dc.gov).

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**DiscoverE Educator Recognition Award.** The American Society of Mechanical Engineers DiscoverE Educator Recognition Award program focuses on the "unsung heroes" behind many exceptional engineers -- the teachers. The program offers engineers and engineering students the opportunity to recognize teachers who are helping their students excel in STEM subjects. Maximum award: \$2,000, a digital projector from 3M, and a trip to Washington, D.C. during Engineers Week (Feb.19-25, 2012) to receive their awards and tell their stories to an audience of thought leaders at the 2012 EWeek DiscoverE Summit. Eligibility: full-time U.S. or international school-based educators teaching in grades 6-12 nominated by an engineer or engineering student (college or graduate level). Deadline: December 1, 2011. <http://www.eweek.org/NewsStory.aspx?ContentID=256>

**2011 SeaWorld/Busch Gardens Environmental Excellence Awards.** The 2011 SeaWorld/Busch Gardens Environmental Excellence Awards recognize the outstanding efforts of students and teachers across the country who are working at the grassroots level to protect and preserve the environment. Maximum award: \$10,000. Eligibility: All schools (grades K-12) and community groups. Deadline: December 1, 2011. <http://www.swbg-animals.org/conservation-matters/eea/about.htm>

**Pro Bono Communications Projects.** *The Progressive Communicators of DC (PCDC)* announces the launch of its Pro Bono Initiative to provide communications expertise and direct support for small nonprofit organizations. in the Greater DC metropolitan area with an annual operating budget no greater than \$2 million. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis for more information contact Mark Swartz at [swartzmark@yahoo.com](mailto:swartzmark@yahoo.com) or SooAnn Roberts at [sooann.roberts@premenapartners.com](mailto:sooann.roberts@premenapartners.com). For online applications visit <http://bit.ly/o6PEkb>.

**Wireless Innovation Project Alliance Award.** The Vodafone Americas Foundation and mHealth Alliance have announced a call for submissions for the annual Vodafone Americas Foundation, which recognizes wireless-related technologies with the potential to solve critical global problems. Applicant should propose an innovation in wireless-related technology that addresses a critical global issue in education, health, access to communication, the environment, and/or economic development. The project should demonstrate a significant advancement in wireless-related technology, potential for replication and large-scale impact, and be at a stage of research where an advanced prototype or field/market test can occur during the award period. Early-stage research or ready-to-launch products will not be considered. Proposals should include a business plan or demonstration of financial sustainability. Applicants compete for first-, second-, and third-place prizes worth \$300,000, \$200,000, and \$100,000. Deadline for applications is December 31, 2011. For more information visit <http://project.vodafone-us.com/>.

## Previous Resources and Announcements

**Global Support for Programs Helping Vulnerable People.** The Rockefeller Foundation works around the world to expand opportunities for poor or vulnerable people and to help ensure that globalization's benefits are more widely shared. The Foundation is accepting funding inquiries from nonprofit organizations in the U.S. that address one of the following targeted initiatives: Protecting American Workers' Economic Security; Campaign for American Workers; Promoting Equitable, Sustainable Transportation; Transforming Health Systems; Advancing Innovation Processes to Solve Social Problems; Harnessing the Power of Impact Investing; Developing Climate Change Resilience; Strengthening Food Security; Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa; and Linking Global Disease Surveillance Networks. Funding inquiries are accepted throughout the year. For more information visit <http://www.rockefellerfoundation.org/what-we-do/current-work>

**Barbara Lotze Scholarships for Future Teachers**. The American Association of Physics Teachers Barbara Lotze Scholarships offers funds for future high school physics teachers. Maximum award: \$2,000. Eligibility: U.S. citizens attending U.S. schools as undergraduates enrolled, or planning to enroll, in physics teacher preparation curricula, and U.S. high school seniors entering such programs. Deadline is December 1, 2011. For more information visit <http://www.aapt.org/Programs/grants/lotze.cfm>.



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**Community-Campus Partnerships for Health Awards.** The Community-Campus Partnerships for Health Award recognizes exemplary partnerships between communities and higher educational institutions that build on each other's strengths to improve higher education, civic engagement, and the overall health of communities. The intent of the award is to highlight the power and potential of community-campus partnerships as a strategy for social justice. The award recognizes partnerships that are striving to achieve the systems and policy changes needed to overcome the root causes of health, social, environmental and economic inequalities. Nominations are due January 16, 2012. For more information visit <http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/awards.html#NominationGuidelines>

**Bright Idea Challenge.** DC Social Innovation Project is seeking proposals for new or early-stage, innovative ventures addressing a social issue in Washington, DC. Up to two ventures will share a prize package of more than \$50,000 in funding, services, and resources. This year, the Bright Idea Challenge is seeking ideas in two categories: Healthy Living and Employment Opportunities for DC residents. The competition is open to 18-35 year olds and proposals may be to establish or expand a non-profit organization, a for-profit organization with a significant social benefit, or a project under an existing organization, and its primary purpose must be to address a social issue in Washington, DC. The deadline to apply is October 21st. For more information visit [www.dcsocialinnovation.org](http://www.dcsocialinnovation.org)

**Good Neighbor Service-Learning Grants.** State Farm is partnering with Youth Service America to offer grants of up to \$1,000 for the promotion of service-learning projects in K-12 public. The purpose of the grant is to engage participating youth in service-learning, an effective teaching and learning strategy that promotes student learning, academic achievement, workplace readiness, and stronger communities. Applications must be submitted by November 9th, 2011. For more information visit <http://www.ysa.org/goodneighbor>

**HSBC Bank USA Corporate Contributions Program .** HSBC Bank USA Corporate Contributions Program provides support for nonprofit organizations located in communities served by the bank that includes Maryland and Washington, DC. Grants are offered in the areas of youth education and the environment. In the youth education category, grants support programs that educate students aged 3 to 25, particularly those from disadvantaged backgrounds or from schools in economically deprived areas. The focus of the environment category is on environmental policy development, public awareness-building, education of teachers or other adults, scientific research, and projects to improve the sustainability of ecosystems. The application deadline is November 1, 2011. For more information visit [http://www.hsbcusa.com/corporateresponsibility/contributions\\_grants](http://www.hsbcusa.com/corporateresponsibility/contributions_grants) .

**Discovery Impact: Creating Change.** Discovery Communications today announced the call for applications for its annual Discovery Impact: Creating Change pro bono initiative. During this innovative philanthropic program, Discovery employees lend their creative talents to nonprofits in need of marketing, communications and creative services. Last year's event featured over 200 employees working on campaigns for 40 nonprofits, including promotional materials, press kits, marketing and events strategies and social media campaigns. This year's event again will allow nonprofit organizations to apply for myriad services including PSA production, website development and print advertising campaigns. Discovery's teams will leverage their creative talents on behalf of selected nonprofits during a 12-hour marathon event. Creating Change will be held at Discovery's global headquarters in Silver Spring on November 9. Additionally, selected nonprofits will be invited to participate in courses and workshops hosted by Discovery executives during the marathon event. For more information visit <http://3blmedia.com/theCSRfeed/Discovery-Communications-Employees-Help-Nonprofits-Second-Annual-Pro-Bono-Marathon-Event>

**Celebrating Solutions Awards Program.** The Mary Byron Project's Celebrating Solutions Awards program annually honors innovative U.S. programs that demonstrate promise in ending the generational cycle of domestic violence. The awards are designed to honor programs that can serve as models for the nation, and provide \$10,000 in recognition of these pioneering efforts. These are awards for accomplishments, not grants for future projects. To be eligible for an award, a program's primary focus must address the issue of domestic violence. The program should be replicable, or if it is national in scope, the program should have applications for individual communities, regardless of their size or ethnic population. The program must be part of a nonprofit 501(c) (3) or government agency. Both the nominated program and the institution must have been operating for a minimum of

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three years. Deadline November 18, 2011. For complete program guidelines and the nomination form visit <http://marybyronproject.org/CelebratingSolutions.html>.

**John W. Gardner Leadership Award.** The John W. Gardner Leadership Award was established in 1985 to honor outstanding Americans who exemplify the leadership and the ideals of John W. Gardner (1912-2002), American statesman and founding chair of Independent Sector. Independent Sector presents the Award each year to an individual whose leadership in or with the nonprofit community has been transformative and who has mobilized and unified people, institutions, or causes that improve people's lives. Nominations are due by January 31, 2012. For more information visit [http://www.independentsector.org/gardner\\_leadership\\_award](http://www.independentsector.org/gardner_leadership_award)

**Spirit of Community Awards.** The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards honors young people in grades 5 through 12 who have demonstrated exemplary voluntary service to their communities. Maximum award: \$1,000 and a trip to Washington, D.C. Students grades 5-12 who have conducted a volunteer service activity within the past year are eligible to apply. The deadline is November 1, 2011. For more information visit <http://spirit.prudential.com>

**The UnitedHealth HEROES.** United Healthcare and YSA (Youth Service America) HEROES program is a service-learning, health literacy initiative. The program awards grants to help youth, ages 5-25, create and implement local, hands-on programs to fight childhood obesity. Each grant engages participating youth in service-learning, an effective teaching and learning strategy that supports student learning, academic achievement, and workplace readiness. The grants encourage semester-long projects that launch on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service (January 16, 2012) and culminate on Global Youth Service Day (April 20-22, 2012). Schools, service-learning coordinators, non-profits, and students in the health professions located in all 50 states and the District of Columbia are eligible to apply for the \$500-\$1,000 grants. Applications must be submitted online before midnight October 22, 2010. To obtain an application, visit [www.YSA.org/HEROES](http://www.YSA.org/HEROES).

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